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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Our Ref: Q75494

Re:

Application of KAMOSHIDA, Shinichi, YODA, Kaneo, YOSHIOKA, Kenjiro and

FURUMIZU, Mikio

IMAGE CARRIER AND WRITING ELECTRODES, METHOD FOR

MANUFACTURING THE SAME, AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS USING

THE SAME (as amended)

Assignee: SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 10/060,016 (Confirmation No. 4983) filed January 31, 2002 of KAMOSHIDA, Shinichi, YODA, Kaneo, YOSHIOKA, Kenjiro and FURUMIZU, Mikio entitled IMAGE CARRIER AND WRITING ELECTRODES, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME, AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS USING THE SAME (as amended on February 19, 2003).

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 28 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed are a Preliminary Amendment, an Information Disclosure Statement, and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2852.

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a continuation of Application No. 10/060,016 filed January 31, 2002; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

| Country | Application No | Filing Date |
|---------|----------------|------------------|
| Japan | 2001-023601 | January 31, 2001 |
| Japan | 2001-023602 | January 31, 2001 |
| Japan | 2001-024048 | January 31, 2001 |
| Japan | 2001-024050 | January 31, 2001 |
| Japan | 2001-024051 | January 31, 2001 |

The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 10/060,016.





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After entry of the Preliminary Amendment, the Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

| Total claims | 12 - 20 | = | x | \$18.00 = | \$.00_ |
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| Independent claims | 1 - 3 | = | x | \$84.00 = | \$.00 |
| Base Fee | | | | | \$750.00 |
| Multiple Dependent (| Claim Fee | | | _ | \$280.00 |
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TOTAL FILING FEE

\$1030.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$1030.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE MION, PLLC

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